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Dear Dr. Mishra:

I was very glad to see your letter of February 10th and am happy indeed to endorse your proposal for the establishment of a  $\underline{\text{Tatum}}$  Memorial Award.

My only question is whether this should be focused so sharply on the Neurospora Conference. The impact of Ed Tatum's work goes so deeply into our methodology for the study of intermediary metabolism that a still larger arena might be at least as appropriate. In any case, I am happy to support your initiative.

Please feel free to forward this letter to the companies that you have approached. I also enclose some copies of my memoir on Ed Tatum which give further rationale for this award.

Yours sincerely,

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